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SUBJECT: IFAD: OCTOBER EB MEETING

REF: (A) STATE 190384 (B) LETTER 6/27/78 KREISBERG TO AL-KSUDEARY

1. AS INDICATED PARA 1 REF A ROSENTHAL HELD CONSULTATION WITH MENSAH ON PROJECT PREPARATION FOR OCTOBER MEETING. MENSAH CONFIRMED THAT CO-FINANCED PROJECTS IN GUYANA, HAITI, THAILAND AND LOSOTHO WERE BEING PREPARED. IFAD TEAMS HAVE RETURNED OR WILL BE RETURNING WITHIN TWO WEEKS FROM EACH OF THESE COUNTRIES. MENSAH NOTED THAT THE NEXT CO-FINANCED PROJECT MIGHT BE IN ECUADOR FOR WHICH A STUDY TEAM IS LEAVING ROME IN AUGUST. FOR THE FIRST FOUR PROJECTS MENSAH ASSURED THAT DOCUMENTATION WILL BE AVAILABLE ON TIME FOR THE MEETING. IFAD IS NOW ALSO ORGANIZING MISSIONS TO BEGIN DESIGN OF PROJECTS FULLY FINANCED BY IT. THESE MISSIONS ARE BEING PREPARED FOR SIERRA LEONE, GUINEA, NIGER, MALAWI, RUANDA, INDIA AND BANGLADESH.

2. AS REQUESTED IN JUNE 30, 1978 NOTE FROM KRIESBERG TO BAKER AND CRUIT, ROSENTHAL RAISED KRIESBERG LETTER REF C WITH MENSAH. MENSAH DID HAVE SUBJECT LETTER AND WAS DELIGHTED WITH THE US OFFER.
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HE INDICATED HE WOULD BE STUDYING IFAD'S REQUIREMENTS AND WOULD GET BACK TO US SHORTLY. (COMMENT: WISH RAISE QUESTION OF COMMUNICATION PROCEDURE. CONSIDER IT IMPORTANT TO ESTABLISH GROUND RULES FOR US CONTACTS WITH NEW INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION. THAT IS, HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH SUBSTANCE OF KRIESBERG LETTER, BUT WISH ASK WHETHER LETTER CLEARED WITHIN US GOVERNMENT, PARTICULARLY BY AID WHICH IS THE LEAD US AGENCY FOR IFAD. SHOULD LETTERS TO

IFAD GO FROM INDIVIDUAL US GOVERNMENT OFFICES OR ALL BE SIGNED
BY US GOVERNOR OR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO IFAD PLEASE ADVISE.)

3. PER REF B, ONLY SCHMEISSER MEMO PASSED TO IFAD AS US POSITION
ON DRAFT PROCUREMENT GUIDELINES. BUT, WISH CALL TO WASHINGTON'S
ATTENTION, BIRNBAUM RECOMMENDATION PARA 3, REF A. THAT IS,
THAT THE US SHOULD MAKE IT CLEAR TO IFAC THAT WE WOULD BE OPPOSED
TO THE AMENDMENT SUGGESTED BY THE LIBYAN RECOGNIZING SECONDARY
OR TERTIARY BOYCOTTS. THIS POINT IS IN DAVIDSON MEMO BUT NOT
IN SCHMEISSER MEMO. IT IS THEREFORE SUGGESTED THAT WASHINGTON
PREPARE A NOTE TO IFAD ON LIBYA'S POSSIBLE AMENDMENT.HOLMES

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